



Park High School Announcements

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Attention Parents of Juniors:

Subject: All students in grade 11 invited to take ACT in school on April 13, 2021

Dear South Washington County School Parents and Guardians,

The ACT Plus Writing college entrance test will be given to all students in grade 11 in South Washington County Schools (SoWashCo) on Tuesday, April 13, 2021. This test continues to be offered at no cost to families. Students do not need to register for the district ACT. Please read the important details about the required ACT Plus Writing test below.

Attendance

It is very important for students in grade 11 to be in attendance on Tuesday, April 13, for the statewide ACT Plus Writing test. It is important to note:

- There will not be a make-up opportunity. All students must be in attendance.
- Park, East Ridge and Woodbury High School students should report directly to their testing location by 8:30 a.m. South Washington Alternative High School students should report to their testing location by 8:45 a.m.
- VLA students who are eligible for bussing may choose to ride their regularly scheduled bus to school on April 13.
- Students arriving to their testing location after 8:50 a.m. will not be admitted to the test, per ACT rules regarding the official start time.

Schedule, meals and transportation

- School start times will remain the same.
- Students will test until approximately 1:15 p.m. with one 15-minute break, per ACT guidelines. A snack will be provided at break time and students may also choose to bring a snack of their own.
- Lunch will be available after testing is complete.
- Students will be dismissed and have the option to leave school at the conclusion of testing; students who choose to remain in the building will be directed to a supervised area. Bus transportation via regular routes will be available at the regular high school dismissal time at 1:30 p.m.

Test results

Students who participate in the ACT Plus Writing may view their scores online three to eight weeks after the April 13 test date if they create a free ACT student web account at my.act.org. If students have questions about creating an account, they may contact [ACT Customer Care](#).

Information from the Minnesota Department of Education

In order to be eligible for a diploma from a Minnesota public high school, all students must fulfill course and credit requirements and follow a college-career readiness plan. All students in grade 11 in attendance at the start of the school day on April 13 are expected to take the ACT Plus Writing, with exceptions for students whose Individualized Education Program (IEP) requires a modified high school exam. Results from the test provide information to students in grade 11, their parents and educators regarding the level of preparedness for postsecondary success based on a nationally recognized ACT college entrance test. There is no minimum score required; however, the results can be used for college entrance or scholarship applications.

If you have any questions regarding plans for ACT testing on Tuesday, April 13, please contact your counselor.

Attention Parents of 9th, 10th and 12th Graders:

Subject: Distance learning day on April 13 for students in grades 9, 10 and 12 for required Junior ACT testing day

Dear South Washington County School Parents and Guardians,

The ACT Plus Writing college entrance test will be given to all students in grade 11 in South Washington County Schools (SoWashCo) on Tuesday, April 13, 2021. **As a result of the strict ACT testing guidelines, students in grades 9, 10 and 12 will not report to school on Tuesday, April 13. Students in grades 9, 10 and 12 will have a DISTANCE LEARNING ASYNCHRONOUS learning day and expected to work on academics from home on that day.** Academic expectations, assignments and due dates will be shared with students by each of their teachers before April 13.

Students in grade 12 who did not participate in the district ACT testing in October 2020 may choose to participate on April 13. If you are a senior who wishes to opt-in and take the test, contact your counselor as soon as possible.

Park High School is excited to announce: Prom 2021!

Park High School will be hosting Prom 2021 on Saturday, May 29th at River Oaks Golf Course. A Grand March of Prom participants will precede at the Wolfpack Gymnasium and will be live-streamed for parents and families to watch! Due to COVID-19 and guidance from the Minnesota government, Prom will look different this year. Please read on to learn more about this event!

1.Capacity is Limited to 225 persons per session

- a. Therefore, Seniors will be given priority to purchase a single ticket for themselves starting April 12 to May 21, then
 - b. Juniors will have the opportunity to purchase a single ticket for themselves on a first come first served basis beginning April 26 to May 21.
 - c. Tickets will not be transferrable.
 - d. Only Park High School Seniors or Juniors may attend the PHS prom, we are sorry, but we will not accommodate guests from other schools inside or outside the district.
2. To meet capacity limitations, there will be 2 Prom Sessions, students may select the Prom session they wish to attend-indicate that when you purchase your tickets, again, first come first served until capacity is reached.
 3. Prom Sessions
 - a. Session 1: 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
 - b. Session 2: 9:30pm-11:30 pm
 4. Grand March- Students will sign up for a time frame to attend Grand March
 - a. Grand March: 3:30pm-5:30 pm
 - b. Students will sign up for a 5-minute time frame. More details on that to come.
 5. Food
 - a. No food, or beverage will be served at either Grand March or at Prom. This meets the government guidelines for group events.
 - b. Students will need to plan their own meal, as no food or beverage available.
 6. Safety:
 - a. Students will be expected to remain masked (mouth and nose) the entire night. Failure to do so will result in the immediate removal from prom without warnings.
 7. Ticket Prices
 - a. \$20
 8. Upon purchase of your ticket, information will be provided pertaining to:
 - a. COVID waiver
 - b. COVID self-testing
 - c. COVID protocols

Park after school Strength and Conditioning:

Where? Park High School Weight Room

When? Monday, Tuesday, Thursday after school

Time? Two start times, 2:45, 3:15 athletes should arrive 5 minutes early.

Who? Any out of season Park athlete!

Program Description:

The after-school program is designed to develop the multi-sport athlete. We focus on speed, power and explosiveness to make sure each athlete is ready for each sport that they play. We will be spending the majority of the time lifting weights with a speed and power session before and after each lifting session. If your student athlete has never lifted weights, there is no better time to start! Our coaches take time with each athlete to go over form and put an emphasis on athlete safety during the time they are in the weight room.

If you have a student athlete that is interested in coming to the after-school program, please have them sign up on the google sheet below:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/11LP_DRjxTVLpjDShw3oNg45uS5_dvofVhxYqB1gBPPM/edit#gid=0

Summer Strength and Conditioning:

This is the same as the after-school program but designed for every athlete getting ready for their upcoming season! These sessions are the same days as the after-school program but happen during the mornings in June and July. Please follow the link below and get signed up ASAP to lock in your student athletes spot!

https://sowashco.ce.eleyo.com/search?q=c470&redirected_yet=true

Virtual Activities Fair:

On Friday, April 9th many of Park High School's activities will be hosting a virtual fair to help showcase our active clubs and sports. It will run from 12:20pm-1:20pm. Each session will be run by a student member, advisor, or coach and be around 20 minutes long. The sessions will be starting promptly at 12:20pm, 12:40pm and 1:00pm, which will allow your student to check out more than one activity. The google meet codes will be posted in their Schoology page "Class of" under the Virtual Activities Fair folder.

Park Hockey Boosters Spring Fundraiser – Gerten's!

We are very excited to announce our spring fundraiser through Gerten's Fundraising. From now until midnight on April 22nd you and family members can order all your spring annuals and perennial plants and flowers and benefit the Park Girl's Hockey program!

All the plants will be delivered on May 14th. We plan on having them sorted and orders ready for pickup between noon and 3 p.m. at Peter Thompson Park here in Cottage Grove.

30% of all sales go to the team, so if you are planning on buying plants from Gerten's you can get the thing through the team. We also have Gerten's Plant Card available for order with 15% of the sale going to the team.

Just go to www.gertensfundraising.com and enter TEAM CODE 152 to go directly to our team page. There you will find everything from Alyssums to Zinnias, including herbs and vegetables.

Let your green thumb help the green and black of Park Wolfpack Girl's Hockey.

Park Girl's Hockey Boosters

College Visits:

Sign up in Naviance to attend a virtual visit with the school(s) you are interested in learning more about:

* *Bellin College, North Dakota State University, University of North Dakota, Carroll University*

Scholarships for Seniors:

Seniors – Are you planning on attending a 2-year school in the fall of 2021? The Trades/Vocational SWC Scholarship and the Otto and Marge Schmaltz Scholarship are \$2,500 awards that are available to you!! Deadlines are coming up quick so don't procrastinate.

There are many scholarships available so apply, apply, apply!

Scholarship criteria, applications, and deadline dates can be found on Naviance under the Scholarship List. You can also pick up a physical copy of the scholarship list in the Counseling Office.

If you have any questions contact Ms. Schrankler in the Counseling Office at 651-425-3722 or pschran2@sowashco.org.

Attention Class of 2021:

In an effort to make sure all seniors and their families are aware of important and helpful information we want to bring your attention to the senior handbook, the senior website and the Class of 2021 course in Schoology.

Be sure to use these resources throughout your senior year. If you have questions that are not answered, be sure to contact your school counselor or see Ms. Deiman in the principal's office for more information.

<https://phs.sowashco.org/students/seniors - graduation 2021>

The Park High School Mathematics Department recommends the following calculators:

Algebra 1 and geometry: TI-30XIIS (a scientific calculator)

If you are considering purchasing a graphing calculator: Texas Instrument 83 and 84 series: (these will take students through their college math and science courses)

TI-83, TI-83+, TI-83 silver

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TI-84 + C Silver - has a colored screen

TI-84CE - has a colored screen and rechargeable batteries

***Save your receipt and write the calculator off on your taxes as an educational expense!